DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



Dallas District 3310 Live Oak Street Dallas, Texas 75204-6191

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WARNING LETTER

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Donal W. Snodgrass, President Snodgrass Seafood, Inc. 6928 East 14th St. Brownsville, TX 78520

Dear Mr. Snodgrass:

On February 16, 2001, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) conducted a follow-up inspection of your facility to determine if the deficiencies outlined in our July 26-27, inspection and October 2, 2000, letter have been corrected. The inspection determined that you still do not have any written importer verification procedures that ensure that the fresh grouper you import from Mexico is processed in accordance with the requirements of FDA's seafood HACCP regulations ((21 CFR 123.12 (a)(2)).

Failure to promptly correct this violation and prevent future violations may result in regulatory action without further notice such as seizure, injunction, or detention of future shipments. It is your responsibility, as the importer of record, to ensure that product's you import meet all the requirements of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

Within 15 working days of receipt of this letter, notify this office in writing of the specific steps you have taken to correct this violation, including an explanation of each step being taken to prevent the recurrence of the violation. Your reply should be addressed to the Food and Drug Administration, attention: Todd W. Cato, Compliance Officer.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Deininger

District Director